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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)			
NOBUHIRO YASUI, ET AL.	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned			
Application No.: 10/656,242	: Group Art Unit: 1773 )			
Filed: September 8, 2003	: )			
For: FUNCTION DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME, PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, MAGNETIC RECORDING/ REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS	) : ) : ) : April 7, 2004			

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents have not been enclosed.

## **CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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